#### **BLESSING**

The blessing of the one generous God, sustaining, liberating and fulfilling all things, will be with you now and always.

Amen!

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: In the name of Christ,
Amen.

#### ORGAN POSTLUDE

(You are invited to remain seated until the end of the postlude)

#### **Notices**

We record the recent death of the Rev Dr John Bodycomb, a minister in the Congregational and Uniting Churches. We extend our sympathy to his widow, the Rev Dr Lorraine Parkinson, and family. John preached at Auburn during a vacancy in the early 1990s, and was a good friend to the Congregation. His funeral will be held at North Balwyn Uniting Church, Duggan Street, tomorrow at 11am.

**Today: Church Lunch** is at Daphne's house - everybody welcome. If needed, please request a lift at morning tea.

Reader Today: Ian McHugh Flowers Today: Judith Walker Next week: Avril McHugh Next week: Pat Rogerson

Readings next week:

Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a Luke 4: 14-21

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# The Auburn Newsletter Hawthorn Uniting Parish

# Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Service Today 10am Communion Service Rev Steve Crump Next Sunday 10am Worship Service Rev Steve Crump

Sunday Service 10 am weekly

Holy Communion: monthly:

10 am: 3rd Sunday

#### Morning Coffee

10.15am monthly 1st Thursday (March – Nov) in the Eileen Pawsey Room

#### Church Council:

7.45 pm monthly 1st Thurs in the Pawsey Room

#### Church Lunch:

12 noon in the Hall monthly 3rd Sunday

NB: Dates and times may occasionally change documented in the pew sheet notices The order of service proceeds without announcements. Responses by the congregation are in bold type.

Please remain for tea or coffee in the church after the service.

Welcome to all who worship at Auburn today.

# **Epiphany 2**

**ORGAN PRELUDE** 

WELCOME

Welcome to the house of our bountiful God.
Your steadfast love, O lord, extends to the heavens,
Your faithfulness stretches beyond the clouds.

## Hymn 315: Mine eyes have seen the glory

#### PRAYER of APPROACH

Loving God, though most of us come here from comfortable homes, surrounded with many possessions, we still yearn for that holy wealth which nothing can buy. We seek the wealth of your abundant light and love. We need your inflowing Spirit for this time of worship to rise higher than our shoe laces. Grant us that Spirit, we pray, that with rekindled love and awe we may praise and adore you, and so doing, find ourselves wonderfully satisfied, through Christ Jesus our Saviour.

Amen!

#### Hymn 212: Christ, whose glory fills the skies,

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins, repudiating those things that rob us, and those around us, of generosity and joy. Let us pray.

Whenever we have turned our Christianity into dull routines and platitudes, without zest and laughter; Lord have mercy.

Whenever we have resented the enthusiasm of the new convert or the excitement of the idealistic person;

Christ have mercy.

Whenever we have traded the new wine of the Gospel for the old beverage of religious laws, anxiety; and self-belittling; Lord have mercy.

O dearest Christ, Brother and Saviour, your super-abundant forgiveness is ready ages before we seek it; your love is enfolding us long before we become aware of it. Fill us, we pray, with the peace that the secular world cannot give us, and with the joy that no doubt, failure or fear can steal from us.

Amen!

#### **FORGIVENESS**

Our God does not deal in half measures. Out of God's fullness we have received saving grace heaped upon saving grace. It is Christ who sets us free, therefore we stand free indeed.

Thanks be to God!

#### THE GREAT AMEN

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God and Father, now and forever. Amen.

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray with our Saviour as he has taught us: **Our Father in heaven,** ...

#### LAMB OF GOD

Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.

#### DISTRIBUTION

The body of Christ, given for you **Amen**The blood of Christ, shed for you. **Amen.** 

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We thank you, Lord, that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all creation.

So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

### Hymn 52: Let us sing to the God of salvation